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In the Amendment filed on July 7, 2005, claims 16-25 are listed as "Withdrawn", however the text does not appear for these claims in the claim listing, therefore withdrawn claim language is not viewable. As the non-compliant amendment is a reply to a Non-Final Office Action and since the amendment appears to be a bona fide attempt to be a reply (37 CFR 1.135(c)), applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE MONTH from the mailing of this notice within which to re-submit the corrected section which complies with 37 CFR 1.121 in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD ARE AVAILABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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